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For: **HIGHLY WATER-ABSORPTIVE OPHTHALMIC LENS AND METHOD
OF PRODUCING THE SAME**

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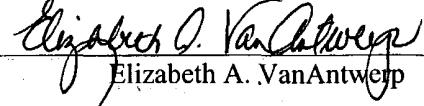
Sir:

Prior to examination, Applicant wishes to amend the subject application as follows:

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